

South King County Projects Update

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South King County Traffic Closures This Week

PLEASE NOTE: All paving and striping work is weather dependent. Closures associated with this type of work could be postponed by rain.

Interstate 5

Three lanes of northbound I-5 near Military Road will close Tuesday (Oct. 4) from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for paving.

The **left lane of southbound I-5 between S. 336th and the Pierce County line** will close nightly Monday through Thursday (Oct. 3-6) from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. for median work.

The **left lane of southbound I-5 between Military Road and S. 320th** will close daily Monday through Saturday (Oct. 3-8) from 2 a.m. to 1 p.m. for median work

Expect daytime **shoulder closures** on I-5 from S. 320th to the Pierce County line for electrical work.

Highway 18

One lane in each direction of Highway 18 near I-5 will close nightly Monday through Thursday (Oct. 3-6) from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for bridge work.

One lane each direction of Highway 18 between West Valley Road and Weyerhaeuser Way will close nightly Monday through Thursday (Oct. 3-6) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. to adjust guardrail and stripe the highway. This will reduce Highway 18 to one lane in each direction.

Highway 161

Expect daytime **shoulder closures** on Highway 161 between S. 360th and Milton Way from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (Oct. 3-7) while crews install drainage and electrical systems and pave the widened portion of the roadway between 28th S. and S. 370th Street.

City Streets

All lanes in both directions of Peasley Canyon Road between S. 321st Street and Peasley Canyon Way (under Highway 18) will close Monday through Wednesday nights (Oct. 3-5) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Crews will stripe lanes and remove temporary barrier. A signed detour will direct traffic around the closure using S. 321st, Military Road, and Peasley Canyon Way.

Crews Complete Roundabout for [I-5 - S. 317th HOV Direct Access Project](#)

We met our schedule for an important piece of this project, reopening the intersection of S. 317th / 28th Ave. S. twenty days after we closed it to build a roundabout. Crews worked feverishly to install finishing touches like signs, striping, crosswalks, lighting – all the necessary components to bring the intersection back into working condition on Saturday, October 1. See [photos of the new roundabout](#) on our Web site.

Paving Begins This Month on [I-5 HOV Widening Project](#)

We continue placing the base material for the new HOV lanes between S. 320th and the Pierce County line. Crews plan to begin asphalt paving in mid-October and concrete paving toward the end of the month. It will be a challenge to perform this work in the fall because it requires dry weather. We will take advantage of every opportunity we can to keep this project on schedule.

[Highway 18 Truck Climbing Lane](#) to Open This Month

We're getting close to opening the new westbound truck-climbing lane between Auburn and Federal Way. With good weather crews could complete final striping and open the new lane by mid-October. If Mother Nature doesn't cooperate, look for the new lane to open later in the month. We're not only widening Highway 18 to add the new lane and spacious shoulders, we're also giving drivers new tools to check traffic on Highway 18 before they hit the road. Workers are installing four new traffic cameras, along with the equipment needed to extend [WSDOT's popular congestion maps](#) from I-5 to Highway 167.

Controlling Drainage on the [Highway 161 Widening Project](#)

This week crews are racing to complete paving between S. 370th Street and 28th Avenue S. before the weather gets too wet and cold. Crews also continue to install new drainage and electrical systems and they're making progress on retaining walls and detention ponds. The new drainage systems will collect water that runs off the road and channel the water in underground pipes to the project's two detention ponds, located at 28th Avenue S. and 19th Way S. The water must be pumped to the pond at 28th S. because it sits higher than the drainage system. Gravity helps move the water through pipes to the pond at 19th Way because the pond is lower than the drainage system.

Highway Advisory Radio Updates

Tune your radio to **AM 1520** to hear a new project update each week on I-5 in Federal Way. Questions or comments? E-mail Laura Johnson at JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov.

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